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THE DAY

## PART ANSWER

THE statement issued by the Hongkong Electric Co Ltd (published yesterday) goes part of the way to answering public criticism of the surcharge and the recent three per cent reduction. It was surprising to learn the attitude of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce and the Chinese Manufacturers' Union to the company's proposal to allow a leading firm of chartered accountants to investigate the surcharge account.

It may be argued that an auditor's report on a single account is not as penetrating an inquiry as some consider necessary but how far is the non-shareholding public entitled to probe into the affairs of a public company without interfering in its right of independent operation and control?

## INTOLERABLE

IN the case of a monopoly safeguards against abuses are a fair demand but clearly it would be intolerable if every reckless suspicion were to be publicly investigated. The company's decisions may certainly be questioned and the public deserves a full reply.

So far one company has gone part of the way to answering public criticism. The other has not been bothered. What the public is asking for is not an explanation so much as an opportunity to make up its own mind on the recent decisions. Could not actual changes in fuel prices be given instead of the percentage increases and decreases?

## CHARITABLE

NO specific mention is made of the Hongkong Electric Company's intentions to decrease the surcharge as fuel prices fall. It is implied that the surcharge is geared to fuel costs and adjustments are made accordingly and the charitable assumption is that the company will reduce it at the appropriate time but could not this have been specifically stated to allay public concern?

The company does well to illustrate the cost of electricity for domestic consumers today compared with prewar years. Indeed had a full explanation of this kind been given publicly in the first place the surcharge outcry may never have developed. It is a bad habit of many Hongkong firms that big decisions affecting the public are announced without adequate explanation and they have only themselves to blame if misunderstandings and ill-informed criticism develop.

## FLIMSY

ANOTHER interesting disclosure is that the incidence of the cost of electricity in the basic manufacturing cost of spinning, weaving, plastics and rubber shoes is between 1.6 per cent and 3.6 per cent and that the increased electricity charge in the cost of the completed articles is less than 5 per cent. The argument that the Colony's export industries would be hurt by the increased surcharge was, of course, flimsy. Industry generally has had a fair deal from the Colony's power companies.

Finally the Hongkong Electric Company statement takes pride in its own achievements and developments in the postwar period. True the Colony's electric light and power service is good, but Hongkong would have fair cause for complaint if it were otherwise.

Public enterprise undertaking a community service should realise it has a two-fold duty—to the community as well as to shareholders. And if it fails in its duty to the community it forfeits its privilege to continue this service. That principle is surely unquestionable.

# MAO INSISTS ON FREE CRITICISM

## Special Meeting Of Political Bureau Called

Peking, July 24.

CHINESE Communist President Mao Tse-tung called a special meeting of the Political Bureau and Standing Committee of the Communist Party Central Committee to discuss questions raised by the recent removal of four top Soviet leaders, it was learned in Peking tonight.

The meeting, which lasted 48 hours, was held in Tsingtao, near where Mao is vacationing, and ended today. The meeting also discussed the situation inside China after the recent campaign against "rightist deviationists."

Well-informed sources said Mao told the meeting of results of his recent visit to Shanghai, where he said he found intellectual and non-Communist "progressive" circles extremely reserved, and "sometimes even hostile" to the campaign in China against the minority who criticised the Communist regime during the "rectification campaign."

The sources said that Mao insisted on the necessity of preventing "deviations" in China and stressed the necessity of continuing the "rectification" movement he launched last April.

## BROUGHT TO HALT

This movement, aimed at permitting free criticism to improve the work of the party and government, was brought to a halt during the campaign against "rightists."

Although the decisions taken at the meeting were not yet known, it was believed that Mao threw all his weight into the balance in order to re-establish a situation which was partially compromised by a "moderate" faction in the Communist Party.

This minority, it was stated here, lacked political sense and thought the moment had arrived to prove the ascendancy of the "left" faction over the moderate elements within the party—France-Press.

## Russian Minister Relieved Of Position

Moscow, July 24.

Mr Mikhail Pervukhin has been relieved of his post of Minister of the Medium Engineering Industry and appointed Chairman of the State Committee for Foreign Economic Relations, Tass said today.

Mr Pervukhin was demoted minister for Foreign Economic Relations under the Council of Supreme Soviet on July 3.

Tass said the change was decided by the Supreme Soviet.



MIKHAIL PERVUKHIN

The announcement said: "The Presidium of the Supreme Soviet has decreed the reorganisation of the Central Administration for Economic Relations with the peoples' democracies into the State Com-

## TARTAN TROUBLE

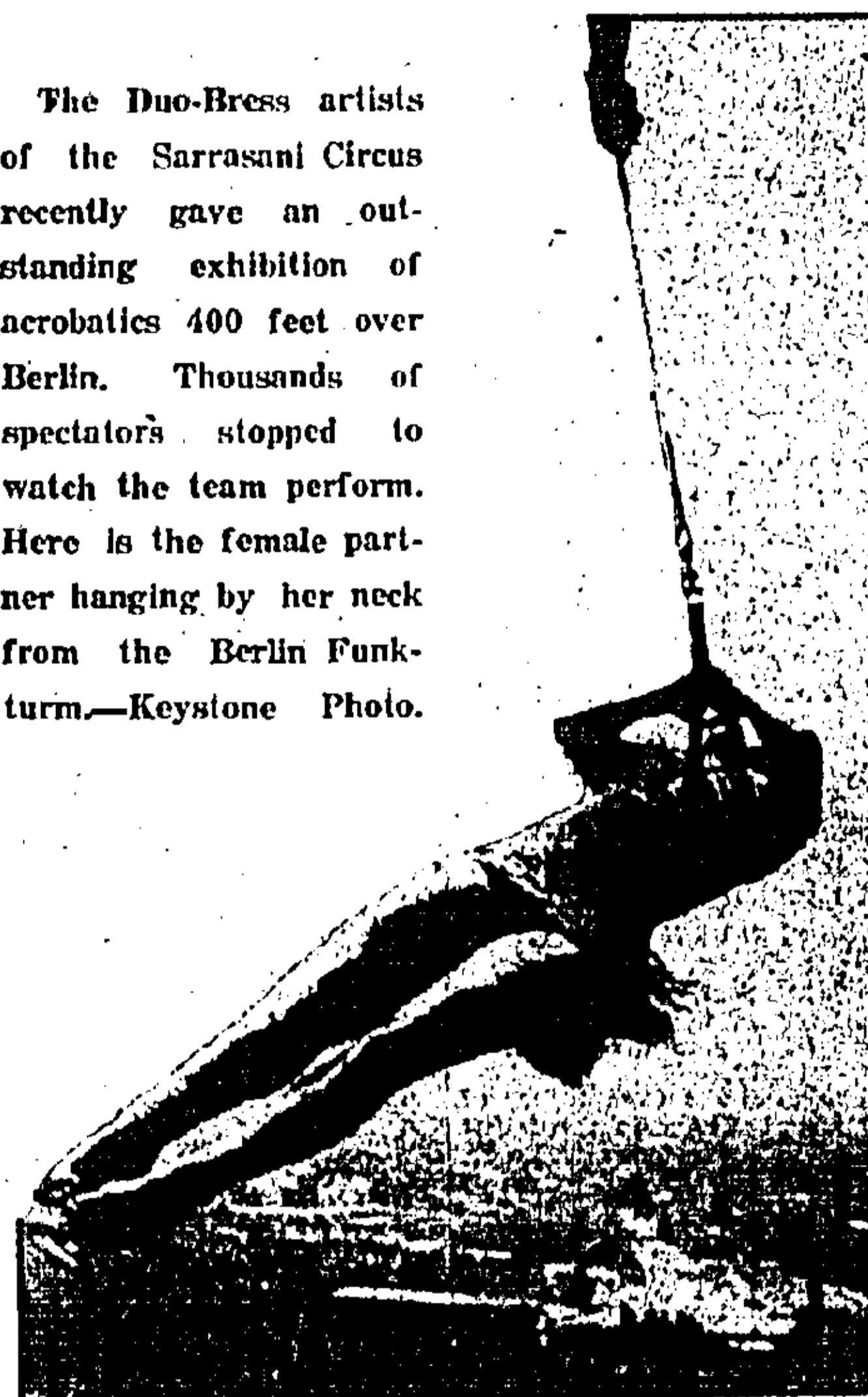
London, July 24. Mr John Hare, the War Minister, told a press conference tonight one of the problems to be sorted out in the amalgamation of regiments was that of dress.

"One of the most difficult mandates I see is that between a Scottish regiment which wears the kilt and a regiment which wears trews (tartan trousers)," he said.

Such problems were being left to the regiments themselves, but it they could not agree then the War Office would have to impose a solution—Reuters.

## 400 FEET OVER THE TOWN

The Duo-Bress artists of the Sarrasani Circus recently gave an outstanding exhibition of acrobatics 400 feet over Berlin. Thousands of spectators stopped to watch the team perform. Here is the female partner hanging by her neck from the Berlin Funkturm.—Keystone Photo.



## HILTON HOTEL FOR MOSCOW!

By JOHN MORKA

New York, July 24. The Soviet Union and Polish interests have approached Hilton Hotels International Inc. about the possibility of setting up an American-managed hotel in Moscow and Warsaw, it was learned here today.

The Soviet inquiries have been made on two different occasions over the past six months.

Robert Dowling, New York manager and a director of the Hilton Hotel chain, recently returned from a trip to Moscow where he discussed the project with Russian officials.

He said the Russians were anxious to attract American visitors and realise they must have modern hotels to accommodate any influx of tourists.

A Hilton hotel in Moscow, he added, however, was "still a long, long shot and not an active thing at present."

## Could Change

"However," he added, "it could change overnight."

Meanwhile the Hilton company disclosed that it had out-

lined briefly to the Russians the broad terms under which it might consider operating a hotel in Moscow.

A Hilton official said that the inquiry about a possible hotel in Warsaw was not an official one on behalf of the Polish Government. He described them only as "Polish interests" with "Polish contacts."—United Press.

## Royal Tour

London, July 24. The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh left London by Royal train tonight to begin their overnight land and sea journey to the Channel Islands for a four-day tour.—Reuters.

## CAR OVERTURNS IN KOWLOON



At about 3:40 a.m. today this car, driven by J. A. McDonald, of Argyle Street, overturned in Chatham Road near Gun Club Hill.—China Mail Photo.

## HK REFUGEE QUESTION

## 'LET UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY DISCUSS PROBLEM'

Geneva, July 24. THE British delegate to the United Nations Economic and Social Council, meeting here today, said that the question of Chinese refugees in Hongkong could best be discussed at the next UN General Assembly.

The delegate, Mr R. J. Scott-Fox, spoke during the discussion of the report of the UN High Commissioner on Refugees.

The report covers the activities of the High Commissioner, Mr Augusto Lind, from May, 1953 to May, 1957.

Mr Scott-Fox said the question of Chinese refugees in Hongkong could not in practice be separated from other desperately poor people and helped in isolation, since "the two categories of homeless people are inextricably mixed and are part of one and the same problem."

## USUAL PROCEDURES

"Apart from the legal issue, therefore, the problem of these refugees may not be acceptable of solution through the usual procedures of the High Commissioner's office."

He thought that the question could best be discussed at the next session of the United Nations General Assembly.

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Dance Hostess

Said: I Love You

Pakistani  
Tells Of  
Stabbing

A 32-year-old Pakistani on trial for unlawfully and maliciously wounding a young dance hostess declared in the Criminal Sessions this morning that after he had stabbed the girl, she said "Salim, I love you."

Salim, testifying on his own behalf, said that he became angry when the girl

## PAKISTANI GUILTY

Salim was found guilty of unlawful wounding and was sentenced to 18 months' imprisonment.

He was found not guilty of wounding with intent to cause bodily harm.

The jury added a rider to their verdict advocating leniency, and Mr Justice Rees expressed sympathy for the defendant.

Yip Lal-hz, 21, insisted on going out with a man who had earlier booked her out for the evening.

He alleged that Yip, tool, "spitting pot" and wanted to hit him.

## PUSHED AWAY

So I got more mad, I pushed her with my hand, then she tried to pick up something else to hit me. At that time the knife came into my hand," Salim said.

He is alleged to have stabbed Yip 22 times with a spring pen-knife.

Yesterday Salim said that he loved Yip more than his own life. He said that he and Yip lived together in a room in Kowloon Terrace, after they left Fanling, where his job had terminated, earlier in the year.

Prosecuting is Mr W. Blair-Kerr, Senior Crown Counsel, assisted by Det. Inspector K. F.

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# WESTERN POWERS TO GO AHEAD

## New Disarmament Plans To Be Presented

London, July 24. The Western Powers decided today to go ahead offering their new disarmament plan to Russia despite a gruff letter from Soviet Premier Nikolai Bulganin attacking Western proposals.

US delegate Harold Stassen will present a new plan for intercontinental guided missiles to-morrow.

### BULGANIN'S LETTER TO MACMILLAN

London, July 24. Marshal Nikolai Bulganin, Soviet Prime Minister, suggested tonight that European Governments and the United States could bind themselves to refuse all military or economic aid to any country violating the peace of Europe.

In a nearly 6,000-word long letter published to the Prime Minister, Mr Harold Macmillan, he alleged, certain Western powers and the West German Government had made a deal to misuse the United Nations disarmament sub-committee to help pre-election manœuvres in West Germany.

The letter, which reiterates the known Soviet view on world problems, dealt at length with four subjects—disarmament, Germany and European security, the Middle East, and Anglo-Soviet trade and cultural relations.

Authoritative sources later said there was nothing new in the Bulganin's message. — Reuter & France-Presse.

### EMBASSY IN MALAYA

Washington, July 21. The State Department announced today the United States Government had decided to raise its Consulate-General at Kuala Lumpur to the rank of Embassy on August 31, the date at which the Federation of Malaya will attain its independence.

It is understood that the newly independent Federation will establish an Embassy in Washington at the same time. The present Consul-General at Kuala Lumpur, Mr Thomas K. Wright, will be the American Charge d'Affaires until an ambassador is appointed. — France-Presse.

Bulganin's letter to Prime Minister Harold Macmillan was not being made public until midnight (2200 GMT) tonight but its broad lines already were known.

#### Secret Caucus

Western delegates at the five-power Disarmament Conference discussed it at a secret caucus this afternoon. Then Stassen announced the main session that he would go ahead with a plan for guided missile control at tomorrow's meeting.

He also said that the Nato powers will progress for enough on their open-skies plan consultations that he can begin presenting the new aerial inspection plan in a few days.

Soviet Deputy Foreign Minister, Valerian Zorin, did not bring up the Bulganin letter in the Conference, which sat for only 10 minutes. It was the shortest session of the four-month-old negotiations.

#### Pessimistic

British and French officials were reported pessimistic about Bulganin's tone. His letter was couched in some of the sharpest language used in formal diplomatic communications in recent years.

Informed sources said the British and French believe the conference should recess as soon as Stassen completes his presentation. In about two to three weeks.

This would give the Russians time to private their reply and free delegates from pointless daily meetings.

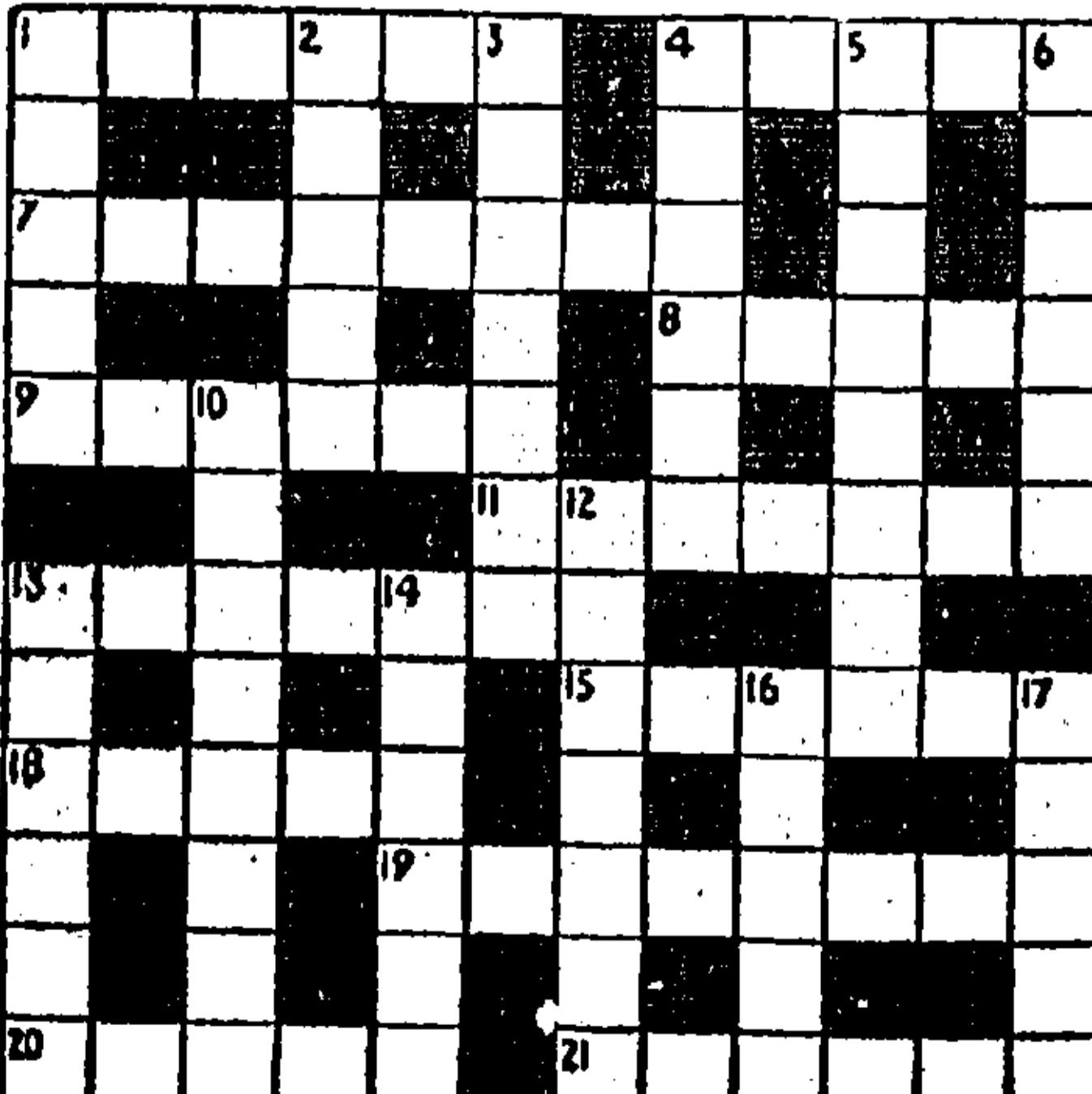
Stassen was understood willing to accept a recess only if the Russians ask for it. — United Press.

### LANA TURNER'S DAUGHTER HURT

Denver, July 24. Movie star Lana Turner and her ex-husband No. 1 flew together today to the bedside of their seriously injured 14-year-old daughter.

Cheryl Christine Crane was hurt on Sunday when she fell off a horse while riding bareback on mountain trail with two other girls. — United Press.

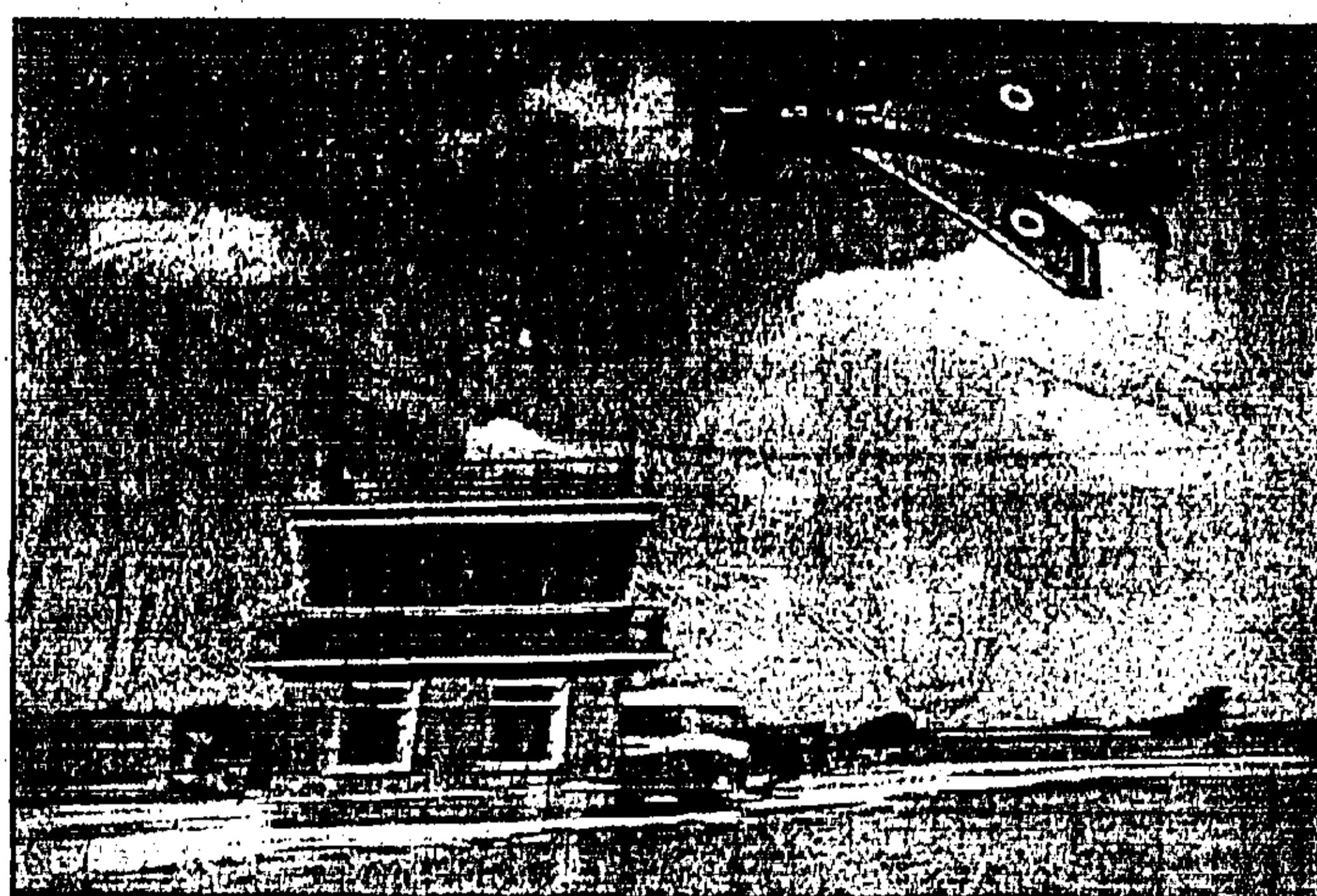
### A British Crossword Puzzle



**ACROSS**  
1. Just a bit (6).  
4. Tilt (6).  
7. Baker's dozen (8).  
8. Generous person (6).  
9. That's flat (6).  
11. Tumbler (7).  
12. Fancy dress? (7).  
13. Dumb (6).  
14. Be a dodger? (8).  
15. His tiles gof-sap? (8).  
20. The opposite (6).  
21. One of the old guard (6).  
  
**DOWN**  
1. Exotic plant (6).  
2. It's headless and limbless (6).  
3. Wore town (7).  
4. Painfully touchy (6).  
5. Alps crasser (6).  
6. Spirit of the corps? (6).  
10. It's in the way (6).  
12. 100 up (7).  
13. Split asunder (6).  
14. Curled (6).  
16. Blow-out (6).  
17. Hoots now? No, woman (6).

**WEDNESDAY'S CROSSWORD**—Across: 1. Wasp, 4. Scratch, 8. Itch, 9. Iris, 10. Recllin, 11. Tiar, 12. Hold, 14. Puritan, 17. Anilic, 19. Strip, 22. Domog, 26. Oms, 29. Lein, 31. Prospect, 32. Gums, Down: 2. Almara, 3. Pisto, 4. Scrap, 5. Chorin, 6. Allil, 7. Cela, 12. Hard, 16. Alon, 18. Turn, 19. Nips, 20. Chala, 20. Toping, 21. Autumn, 22. Outer, 24. Wrists, 25. Lock.

### ENGLISH ELECTRIC P.1. BEATS RECORD



The English Electric P.1 has travelled at a new unofficial world speed record of nearly 1,200 miles per hour. The actual speed is still secret—but it was stated that the aircraft was still accelerating when throttled back by Test Pilot "Ice" Beaumont. A demonstration of the plane in flight was given for the press at Warton Aerodrome Lancashire last week. Photo shows the English Electric P.1 in flight during the demonstration. — Keystone Photo.

### LINDBERGH ODYSSEY HIDDEN BEHIND 'CURTAIN OF BUREAUCRACY'

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, the first man to make a non-stop solo flight across the Atlantic to Paris in 1927, flew with the United States Air Force as a civilian on 50 combat missions during the Second World War and shot down at least one Japanese fighter plane, a retired general said here today.



CHARLES LINDBERGH  
Shot Down A Japanese Fighter

### EIFFEL TOWER UP-LIFT

Paris, July 24. Paris's famous landmark, the Eiffel Tower, will have a "new look" next October when its top is reconstructed and a high new television antenna is installed.

In addition, the tower will be over 25 feet higher than before.

At present the offices of the national weather service and the French television occupy the top platform of the tower which was built in 1889 by the engineer, Gustave Eiffel.

There will be one other great change also—the French flag will no longer fly from the top of the picturesquely, for it is found that it's drooping in the wind, set in vibration which affected the delicate instruments used by the weather bureau and the television service. — France-Presse.

### BUDDHA'S TREE ATTACKED

Calcutta, July 24. The sacred Bodhi tree at Bodh Gaya in Bihar, under which Lord Buddha gained enlightenment, has been attacked by insects, the Chairman of the Bodhi Gaya temple management committee reported.

The tree is now being sprayed daily with anti-insect compounds. Last year the tree was also attacked by pests, and measures had to be taken to protect it. — France-Presse.

### PLANES POUND BRICK FORTS

Bahrain, July 24. ROYAL Air Force jets went into action today against rebel tribesmen in the beleaguered Sultanate of Oman.

The planes pounded mud and brick forts in the vicinity of the rebel centre of Nizwa with rockets and cannon-fire in an attempt to break the rebellion with a show of force. No results of the first day's attack were announced.

Britain's political resident here, Sir Bernard Burrows, was scheduled to fly to Muscat tomorrow to confer with pro-British Sultan Said bin Taimur.

#### STALEMATE

The short hot war fought in fantastic mountain country in what has been called the world's hottest climate has come to a temporary stalemate. There was little confidence among British officials here that the RAF show of force would intimidate the rebels who were holed up in the nearly inaccessible reaches of south-eastern Arabia.

The rebels, operating under the black flag of a "Jihad" or Holy War, were in full control of Nizwa, the capital in the interior of Oman and Oman.

The rebels are supporting rebellious Imaum Ghazi bin Ali and his strong-man brother Taib, who have been carrying on a battle for sovereignty in the interior of Oman which was broken off in 1955 when they were defeated by the British-supported Sultanate forces. — United Press.

Istanbul, July 24. Turkish Airlines signed agreements today in Ankara with British Overseas Airways Corporation and Vickers Armstrong to buy five Viscount airliners. — Reuter.

### MULCTED BY POLICE

Manila, July 25. Four Hongkong-bound Chinese passengers were allegedly "mulcted" by a Pasay city police patrol on their way to the airport, according to an airline official who said he saw the incident while going to the airport in a taxi.

The Chinese, who were riding in a jeep, were told to get down and show their passports by the Police for no apparent reason. The Chinese said that they



were forced to give the Police five pesos just to let them go. The official said he had asked why they had given the money and was told the Chinese were in a hurry to catch their plane and "settle the matter quickly."

Airport authorities expressed indignation over the incident. They claimed that on previous occasions the police of Pasay city, which is on the way to the airport, had clamped travellers of petty sums. — France-Presse.

CONDUCTOR: VICTOR ARDY

LEADER: FRED CARPIO

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### PAKISTAN TELLS OF STABBING

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Bodie, Mr Gerald de Basio, defending Salim, instructed by Mr Abbas el Aswad.

The trial is before Mr Justice C. W. Reece and a jury of three men and three women.

Continuing in his evidence from yesterday, Salim said that on March 22 he went to the B-10 P.M. cinema with two friends, Mr Basio. Was there anyone in the cinema whom you thought you recognised?

#### KISSING

Salim: Yes, I saw a girl and a soldier kissing; she wore the same dress and looked exactly like Yip Lai-ha.

What were your feelings then? — When I saw her I felt very

Salim said that after the pictures he went home with his friends and eventually Yip was turned. His friends were in another room whilst he and Yip had their meal.

He asked her if she had been out and she replied that she had just come from the ballroom.

Salim said he did not at that time mention the incident in the cinema, as he was not sure the girl was Yip.

After the meal Yip had gone to bed, he returned to work earlier explaining that her No. 1 wanted her particularly earlier on Fridays, Saturdays and Sundays. She then left.

#### TOOK TAXI

Salim said that he wanted to make sure that Yip had gone to the ballroom, so he took a taxi there shortly after she left.

Yip had not arrived so he "booked" out a girl for 13 minutes.

Salim said that when Yip subsequently arrived she looked upset. He said that when he later asked her where she had been earlier in the evening, she admitted having gone to see a picture. He then asked her to go home, whereupon she said "the soldier had booked me out until one o'clock."

Accused said he then spoke to her No. 1 who agreed he (Salim) could book Yip for the evening on payment of a certain sum of money, which he paid.

Salim said he then told Yip he had booked her out and asked her to go home together.

#### FEEL NOTHING

On their way home in a taxi, Salim said he told her "I saw you at the pictures. You were kissing with a soldier."

Yip replied "Yes, but I feel nothing," Salim said.

Arriving back at home, Salim said he tried his best to bring her back to her "mood." He reminded her of the promise before she took on the job as a dance hostess.

He said he made love to her but she still wanted to go back to the ballroom.

She then asked for some water which he brought to her, Salim said. She wanted to remove her jacket but he said it would be better to keep it on, so that she could be warm. He told her he had summoned an ambulance and that she was not to worry.

Shortly afterwards the ambulance arrived. Two European Police in civilian clothing came a few minutes later. He told them what had happened, "but I was too much worried about her and I was absent-minded."

Asked if he had been drunk, he said by "absent-minded" Salim said, "Because I loved her very much it was natural that I should be worried about her."

**REPUULSE BAY HOTEL**

### NEXT SUMMER SEASON PROMENADE CONCERT

AT THE HONGKONG CONCERT ORCHESTRA

REPUULSE BAY HOTEL

Communist indifference to the sanctity of marriage, added to the pressing demands of the State upon the time and energy of the workers, is resulting in so many broken homes in the Soviet bloc countries that the authorities are beginning to view the situation with unaccustomed anxiety. In Poland, says David Laidlaw, the divorce figures for 1955 were 250 per cent higher than in 1952...

## Marriage in The Red

**BROKEN** marriages are becoming so common in the Soviet bloc countries that even the Communists—who are not normally unduly concerned about the sanctity of married life—are beginning to get worried. Everywhere articles in the Press report soaring divorce rates, the fashion for "short-term" marriages, "illegal cohabitation" and hooliganism resulting from broken homes.

The chief reason for this situation is the past Communist attitude to marriage. Communists have always been rather in favour of weakening family ties in the belief that this would strengthen the hold of the State on individual members. Accordingly, the first thing they did in all the countries where they have seized power was to remove marital and family relations from the authority of the Church. Church marriage ceremonies now have no legal force and may be held only after a valid civil ceremony.

Divorces are granted quickly and cheaply. Very often "intellectual" and "ideological" differences are put forward by couples as grounds for divorce, because they know that these will be accepted by the courts without further question.

No stigma attaches to divorce. An article in the Polish newspaper *Nowa Kultura* of October 30, 1955, declared: "The man who fell in love once in his life, went straight to the altar and was thereafter faithful to his wife till the end of his days has become a fiction and an anachronism." Another article stated ironically that "life-long monogamy no longer exists" and that the "one-parent family is an institution which

**MARRIAGE UNDER COMMUNISM**  
By DAVID LAIDLAW  
... a Scot who has travelled widely in Eastern Europe, and made a special study of conditions imposed by Russia.

we have to accept." (January 8, 1956).

The rise in the divorce rate has been particularly noticeable in those countries where Church influence and conservative social patterns made divorce a rarity before the war. Poland, once a strong Roman Catholic country, now has the highest divorce rate in the world.

The October 30, 1955, issue of *Nowa Kultura*, reported that the number of divorce cases considered by the courts had doubled between 1952 and 1954, while the 1955 figure was 250 per cent above that of 1952.

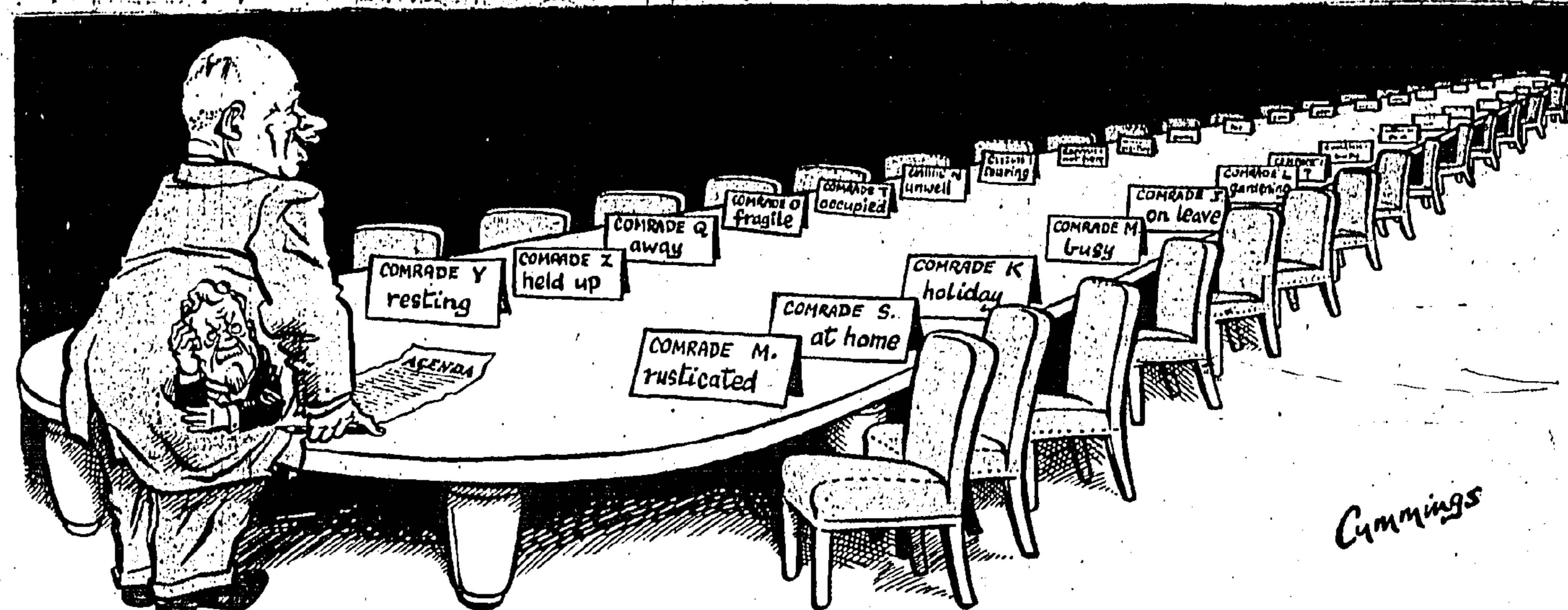
Significantly the divorce rate is lowest among the rural population. In Poland the ratio between rural and urban divorcees is one to nine, while in Hungary there are three times as many divorces in Budapest as in all the rural districts. According to *Nowa Kultura*, "this is because in the village the old model of matrimony has been preserved together with the old traditions and moral customs."

The Bulgarian paper, *Otechestven Front*, of January 14, 1955, said that "short-term marriages have become fashionable among young couples who wish to imitate the modern way of life."

It quoted one Bulgarian (married and divorced four times within three years) as saying: "The divorce petitions cost very little. For me, marriage is like a football match; you buy a ticket and take your chances on the game."

But, quite apart from the Communist attitude to marriage, the chief reason for unsatisfactory family life lies in the overwhelming demands by the State economic machine on the workers' time and energy.

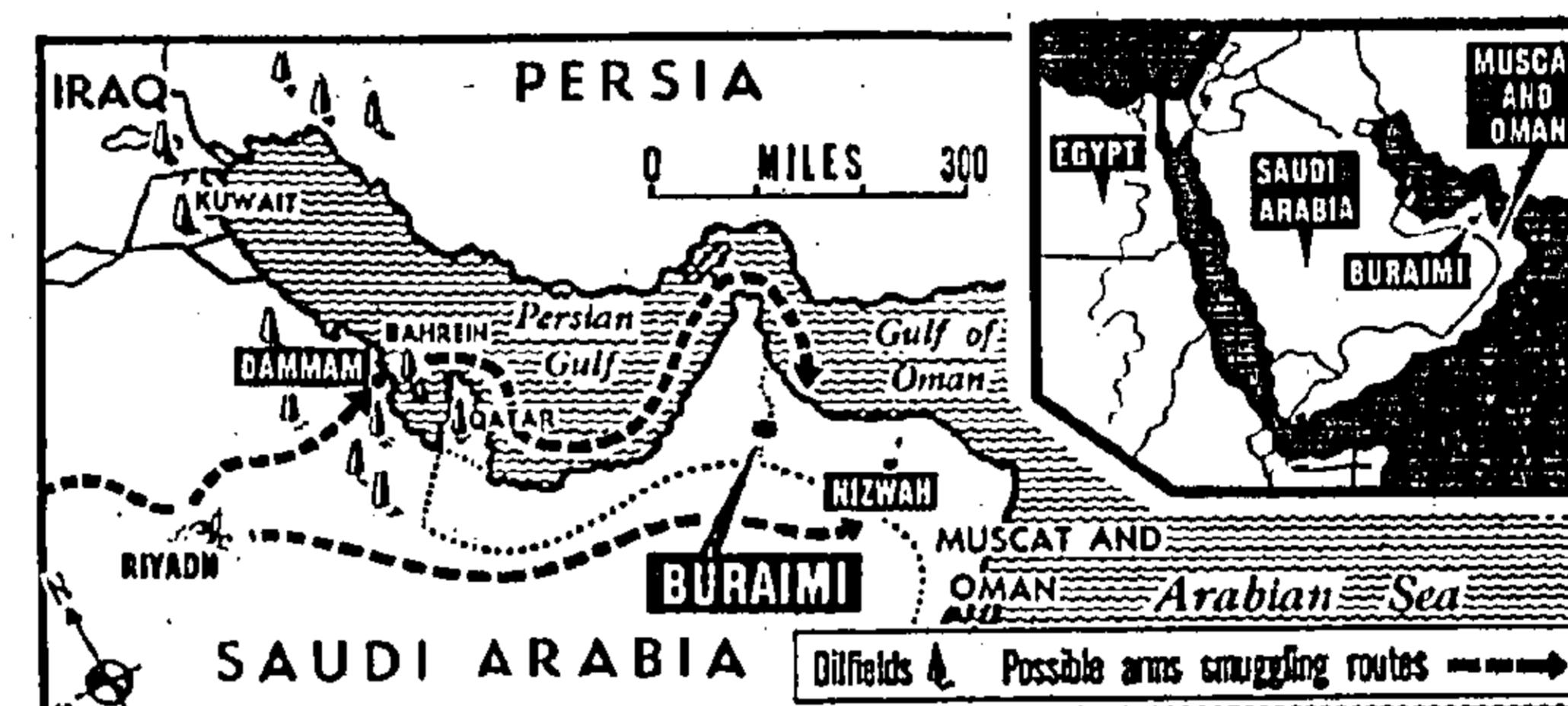
Women are expected to work as well as run their home and care for children, but little attempt is made to meet their needs. For example, these in factories frequently find that they cannot get holidays at the same time as their husbands.



"All those in favour say 'Aye'—the 'Ayes' have it!"

## A Growing Threat to British Oil Fields As NASSER PLOTS NEW WAR

FROM  
**COLIN LAWSON**



Threat is growing to British oilfields

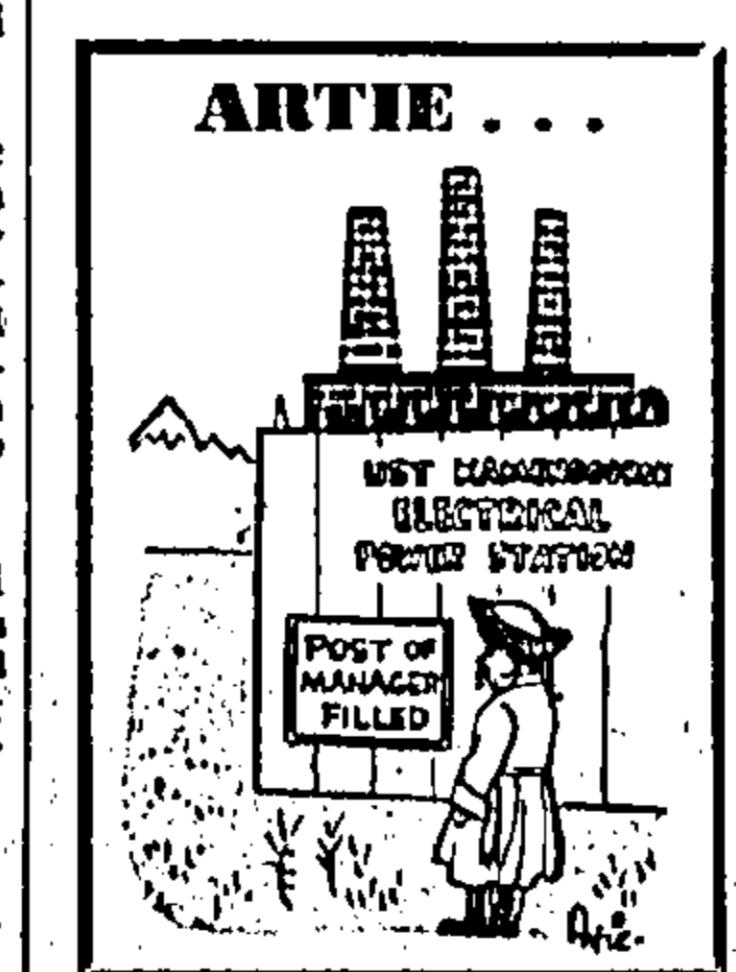
**A** DESERT sheik fingered as a ceremonial dagger at his waist as he told me:

"His wish to become friends again with Britain is a trap. He will use it to kill you to sleep."

And Sheik Zaid, of the vital strategic strongpoint of Buraimi, in South-East Arabia, added: "I have clear evidence Nasser is at work in the area with money and underground agents."

**THE TARGET — BRITAIN'S OIL**

To get to Buraimi I had to take a Land-Rover from Abu Dhabi. There, in a palace in the sands, lives



The pro-British Shakbut told me that a combination of Saudi Arabian money and Egyptian cunning is working to stir up armed revolt in Muscat and Oman, across the border from Buraimi. Guns and money are pouring in.

"But go to Buraimi yourself," said Shakbut, "and talk with my people."

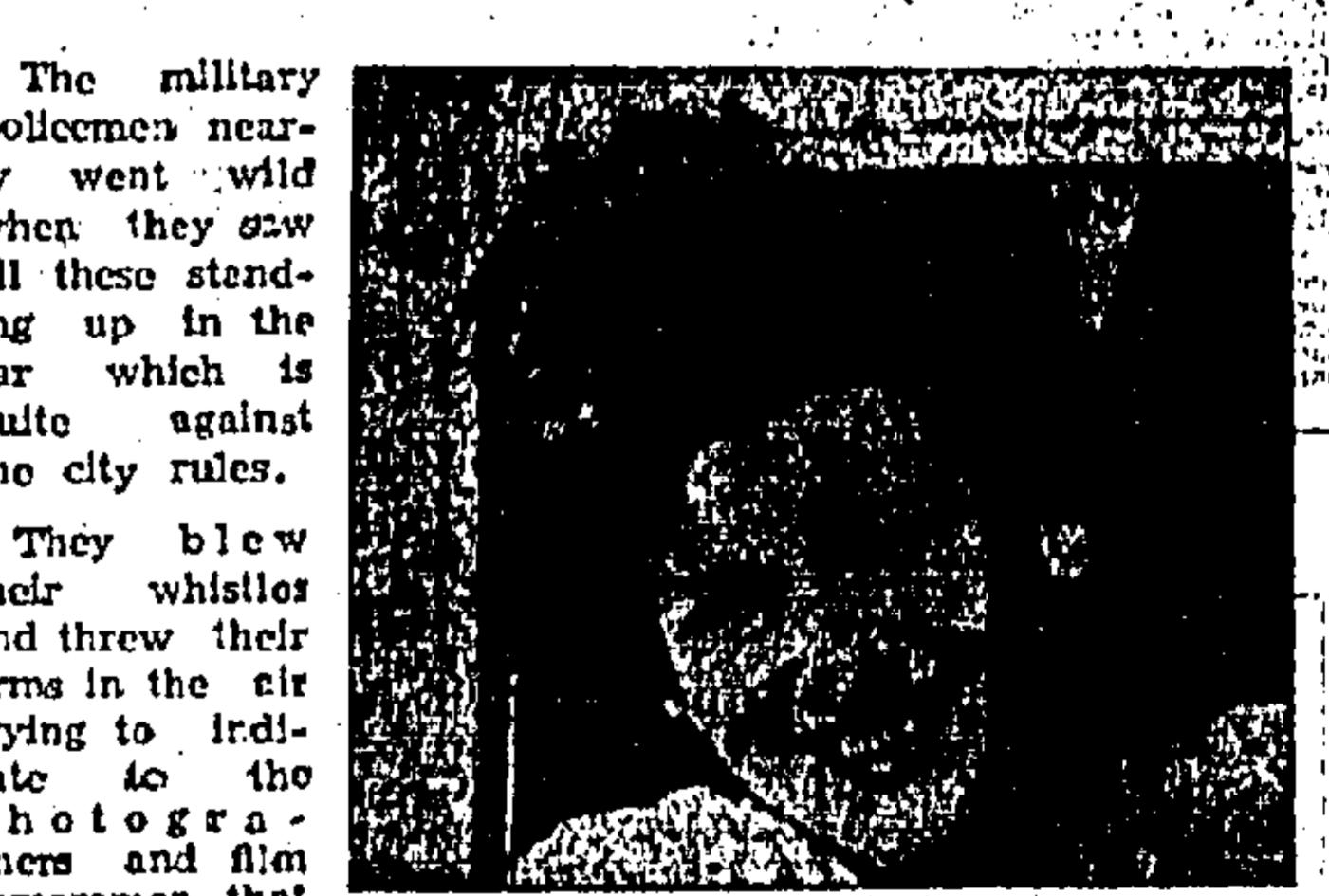
So for 120 miles, in a temperature of 130 degrees, my Land-Rover roared through the desert.

The driver reduced himself, the vehicle, and me to jellies, crashing over boulders, through camel herds and round deep sand drifts.

I was a limp mass of soggy bristles when, like a mirage, Buraimi appeared on the skyline. It is a group of villages covering 100 square miles.

Through a gap in a mud wall surrounding the sheik's private garden in the central oasis, I was conducted to Zaid. He is a powerful man with a struggling beard and a humorous brown eye who has refused a £20,000,000 bribe to back King Saud's claim to Buraimi.

## PIED PIPER MARCH IN MOSCOW



**Patricia Smyllie**

I WAS phoned early one morning and implored to leave my sick bed to meet the Russian newsmen. They wanted to film me and my car.

I hadn't the heart to let them down as they have all been so terribly kind and are so enthusiastic about my visiting Moscow by car all the way from England. I thought the least I could do would be to turn out.

What went on afterwards I shall never forget. It was one of the craziest and funniest experiences I have had.

I could have been in the heart of Hollywood instead of Moscow.

More than a thousand people had gathered outside the Hotel Metropole and looked on curiously as the newsmen cameramen rushing backwards and forwards enthusiastically trying to get better angles.

But it wasn't an unfriendly scramble as they were all roaring with laughter.

The Moscow newsmen had also sent along their cameramen to join in the melee.

Then a most amusing procession through the streets of Moscow began. I led the way with the A.A. van behind me.

The Russian cameramen had

gathered into an enormous open black Ziz with as many newspaper photographers as could possibly squeeze in as well.

As he roared my erratic driving he put his hands over his face and got his head down, peering nervously through his fingers.

As he got out he shook hands and roared with laughter.

"Miss Smyllie," he said—that is what everyone calls me here—“ein moment, ein moment.”

With that he handed his camera to another photographer and had his picture taken standing beside me smiling broadly.

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## Too many babies may start A CRISIS

from JOHN SMEATON: The Hague

THE population of Holland is increasing so rapidly that the Dutch Government has set up an emergency committee to study ways and means of keeping 11,000,000 people in a country the size of East Anglia.

Already, with an average of nearly 900 people to the square mile, Holland is the most densely populated country in the world. And the rapid rise in population—it has gone up nearly 3,000,000 in 11 years—is expected to continue until the year 2000.

Dr G. Lammers, chief of the Government's information services, told me:

"There is no doubt that this is Holland's number one problem. And it looks like getting worse. The population question is continually at the top of the Cabinet's agenda."

He and other Government officials agree that the only way

Holland can keep a big population is by industrialisation.

Before the war it was primarily an agricultural country. Now more and more factories are being built.

Investigations have already been made in an attempt to discover why Holland has a combination of HIGH birth-rate and LOW death-rate.

The main reasons listed so far by the Government experts

are:

1. Exceptionally good health—there is one doctor to every 1,000 people.

2. Cleanliness—there is a saying that "If a Dutchman is not washing himself, he is not washing his children, or his house."

FOOTNOTE: While I have been dictating this story, five children have been born in Holland, according to statistics.

DUTCH POPULATION IS SOARING



# JACK ROBERTSON HITS 201 NOT OUT AGAINST ESSEX AT LORD'S

## SWIMMING INTERNATIONAL



Britain versus Yugoslavia swimming international in London, and here are members of the Yugoslav team relaxing at the pool. Girls seated are, from left, Misses Matekalo, Jericevic, Koncijica and Varga. Girls in pool are, from left, Misses Stapic, Mezuar and Zejic. Miss Jericevic, fourth in the Melbourne Olympics, was beaten in the Women's 220 yards breast stroke, coming second to Great Britain's 17-year-old Christine Gosden, whose 2min. 56.1sec. set a new British native and English record. Miss Gosden had come eighth in the Melbourne Olympics.—Reuterphoto.

## WORLD OF SPORT

# RUSSIA SEEKS ANXIOUS TO STAGE 1964 OLYMPIC GAMES

By DEREK JOHN

Russia aims to show the world that Moscow is the place for the 1964 Olympic Games.

That, I fancy, is a main reason for the World Youth Games being staged in Moscow from July 29 to August 10.

More than 4,000 sportsmen and women from nearly sixty countries are taking part. And the festival takes in almost every known form of sport, including games such as rugby union which the Russians do not play.

Cyclists, weightlifters, table-tennis stars, footballers, boxers, swimmers, water-polo players, wrestlers, gymnasts, basketballers, tennis stars, fencers... all are Moscow bound.

The gigantic jamboree must be costing many millions of roubles. The Russians are even paying all the competitors, as far as possible, with the Soviet Union. Unfortunately, their efforts have not been entirely successful. Many sports associations in different parts of the world are boycotting the Moscow Games on the grounds that they have political implications.

The Russians have strongly denied this. But the fact remains that the Moscow Games are part of the Moscow Festival of Youth, which is partly non-political.

And the feeling recently expressed at meetings of the Executive Board of the International Olympic Committee is that sporting and cultural events should be held at different times.

It is the old, old story of doubt and suspicion existing on either side of the Iron Curtain. But these barriers can only be broken down by a little give-and-take on both sides.

In this case, I believe the Russians should be given the benefit of the doubt. After all, if Moscow is to be the venue of an Olympic sports festival, this is the first time next year that the Empire Games will be held.

Chief problem at the moment is raising the cash. The organisers, working under the dark cloud of inflation, are determined that no rise in the cost of living shall interfere with their plans.

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## EMPIRE GAMES

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## The 66th Century Of His Career

London, July 24. Jack Robertson, Middlesex's 40-year-old opening bat, hit 201 not out against Essex at Lord's here today to register the 66th century of his career.

He hit 28 boundaries in his innings, which lasted nearly five and a half hours. His polished knock enabled Middlesex to declare at 337 for six, and in reply Essex lost two wickets in making only ten runs.

At Walton, this season's Oxford captain, playing in his first Championship match for Middlesex, was caught off Essex's amateur bowler, Roy Ralph before scoring.

Another century-maker was Ken's left-handed opening bat Bob Wilson, who made 140, including a six and 10 fours, against Somerset at Taunton.

### CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

At Bournemout: Hampshire 110 (Close four for 13). Yorkshire 100 for five.

At Lord's: Middlesex 337 for six declared (Robertson 201 not out). Essex 10 for two.

At Hastings: Sussex 181 (Parks 60). Glamorgan 33 for one.

At Birmingham: Warwickshire 237 for five. (Cartwright 84, Singh 68 not out) versus Scotland.

At Taunton: Kent 305 for nine declared (Wilson 146, Pritchard 50). Somerset 15 for one.

At Stourbridge: Leicestershire 90 (Gardiner 50, Caldwell 54 for 18). Worcestershire 64 for two.

At Nottingham: Nottinghamshire 350 (People 110 not out, Springfield 63) versus Gloucestershire.—Reuter.

### Ibbotson Wins International Mile In 4:03.3

Manchester, July 24. Derek Ibbotson, of Britain, the world's fastest miler, won the International Mile event here tonight in 4 minutes 3.3 seconds.

His time was 6.1 seconds outside his five-day-old world record, which has yet to be ratified.

Tom Courtney, American Olympic 800 Metres Champion, dropped out of the 1,000 metres race after one lap because of stomach trouble.

The event, won by Britain's Brian Hewson in 2 minutes 21.6 seconds, had been specially staged for Courtney, who in Sweden three weeks ago was only three-tenths of a second outside the world record.—Reuter.

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### JUNIOR DEVELOPMENT

The four major divisions of the drive were listed by McMann as follows:

Junior tennis development, under a committee headed by Marlin L. Tressel of Pittsburgh, an executive of the Aluminum Company of America. This committee, co-operating with Junior Chambers of Commerce throughout the country, will arrange programmes to attract and develop youths from 12 to 16 or 17.

A "Little Leagues" committee, headed by Dave Freed of Salt Lake City, tries to recruit youngsters from eight to 12 and provide league play for them. More youngsters will take up tennis "if they can belong to a team of something," he said.

Concerning the possibility of open tennis tournaments, in which professionals and amateurs can compete.

Regardless of its findings, that committee on open tournaments will cause debate that is good for the sport, McMann said.

He stressed also that the work of the other three compounding committees will overlap and augment each other at times.

Concerning the possibility of open tennis classics—like the US Open in golf—it is recalled that similar USLTA committees in 1950 and 1953 recommended holding them, and their recommendations were approved by the USLTA. But the suggestions were disapproved by the International Lawn Tennis Federation.

Whether the ILT will permit its rules to be changed in favour of open tournaments was uncertain.

At Pittsburgh, Tressel of the Junior Development Committee is very active with his investigating and educational campaign. He is making a national survey to determine what localities have the best junior programmes. When that survey is completed, attempts will be made to establish replicas of the best programmes in areas that now have less successful programmes.—United Press.

### Abdul Khalil Equals British Century Mark

London, July 24. Abdul Khalil, the Pakistani sprinter, equalled the British all-comers record for the 100 yards with 9.6 seconds during an international athletics meeting tonight at Manchester.

The record is already shared by the Americans, E. Conwell (1947) and L. Remigino (1954) and E. Macdonald Bailey of Trinidad (1947, 1950 and 1951).

G. Razik of Pakistan finished third in a 120 yards hurdles event at Manchester tonight. He gave the great Derek Ibbotson a shock in the Sainsbury Trophy last May by taking the lead with 20 yards to go, although Ibbotson spurred again to win by three yards in 9.2 sec.

He has two weeks in which to decide whether or not to accept the university's offer.

England's Amateur Athletic Association, while frowning on any athlete making something out of his sport, is expected to give his blessing to Bristow in the cause of education.

Four American athletes, visiting London recently, stepped into their hotel lift marked "Four persons only." It didn't rise an inch.

Joe over, the Americans stepped out again, shot-putters Ken Bantum (1957), Eric Marchalony (1951), discus thrower Jack Ellis (1951) and Aubrey Lewis (1951).

Ellis said: "I wouldn't go up, but boy how it went down!"—London Express Service.

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In the 100 yards dash won by Khalil of Pakistan, B. Thomas of American also equalled the British all-comers record when he finished in 9.6 seconds, the same time as Khalil. Britain's K. Box, second in the British national record when he finished third in 9.8 seconds.

On July 12, Stanislav Jungwirth of Czechoslovakia set up a new world record for the 1,500 metres at Hutska training camp near Prague with 3 minutes, 38.1 seconds.—France-Press.

Salsola and Salonen set a new world record on July 11 when they finished first and second in a 1,500 metres race, both in 3 minutes, 40.2 seconds. Vuoristo's record only stood for a day.

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Only one man who played in the Third Test will be absent tomorrow. He is all-rounder Denis Addison, who had the misfortune to pull neck and shoulder muscles in the match against Middlesex yesterday at Lord's.

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to partner Gilchrist, also a long-

distance runner, tomorrow should be generally dry and cloudy, with some bright periods.

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THE GAMBOLES

WELL, WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING TO DAY, DEAR?

MURIEL'S BEEN TEACHING ME TO PLAY GOLF

IT WAS AWFUL

TWO MEN FOLLOWED US ALL THE WAY ROUND THE COURSE

so Barry Appleby

GIRARD PERREGAUX

GYROMATIC

## Touring HK Bowls Team Beaten By Harroldians

Barnes, Surrey, July 24. The touring Hongkong Lawn Bowls Association team were beaten 71-64 by Harroldians, the London department store team, in a match here this evening. Scores in the three rinks were:

1. Hamptons 19 (S. Hamond, A. Campbell, J. Tindall, T. Kavanagh). Harroldians 20.

2. Hongkong 12 (W. T. French, R. Gow, J. K. Sloan, A. G. Gardner). Harroldians 22.

3. Hongkong 15 (J. Woodrow, R. C. Butler, J. A. Fox, C. J. Astbury). Harroldians 23.

That was Hongkong's most consistent player of the match, while Butler also played brilliantly. Hongkong were without Greenwood, who has a slightly strained back.

Reuter.

## No Malayan Tour For Ferdinands

Colombo, July 25. Ceylon's Davis Cup captain, Rupert Ferdinands, will not be able to compete in the Malayan and Interport Tennis Championships in August because of University examinations.

The "Ferdinands" probably will make the trip will be composed of Bernard Plinto, Rajah Prasody, Douglas Fonseka and P. S. Kumarang.

The Malayan Tennis Association has written to the Secretary of the Ceylon Lawn Tennis Association that they will pay one-way passage for two players of the Ceylon team.—United Press.

## AMERICA NOW IN THE MIDST OF UNPRECEDENTED DRIVE FOR MORE TENNIS PLAYERS

By JACK CUDDY

New York, July 24. The United States Lawn Tennis Association is now in the midst of an unprecedented drive for more players throughout the nation "from eight to 80" and for better US players in international competition.

Because of the fervour with which this four-way campaign is being conducted, perhaps the USLTA could give a vote of thanks to Australia. Unquestionably, it was spurred by the Aussies' six out of seven Davis Cup triumphs in the 1950's.

Commenting upon the campaign today, President Rendell McMann of the USLTA said, "It's true we hope to make the best showings possible in international competition; but actually, that aim is secondary to our desire for thousands of new players, particularly among boys and young men."

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Philippe Agut (France) finished second in the same time and yesterday's winner, Schepens (Belgium) won the pack sprint to finish third in 5 hours, 34 minutes, 51 seconds.

Britain's Brian Robinson and Ireland's Seamus Elliott both finished in the main pack with the same time as Schepens. Two Swiss riders, Gru and Caille, arrived after the other competitors. Gru, almost half an hour behind the winner and Caille, over 50 minutes behind the winner. They were therefore eliminated from the race leaving 73 in the race out of 80 starters.

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Philippe Agut was lying second with the same time. Julien Schepens, two other Belgian riders, Verbeke and Deblair, and the French riders, Jean Graczyk and Louis Koske were third ex-equo with 11 hours, 37 minutes and 20 seconds.

Britain's Brian Robinson and Ireland's Seamus Elliott were 10th with a great number of other riders all with 11 hours, 38 minutes and 18 seconds.

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# OPEN SINGLES QUARTER-FINALISTS FROM EIGHT DIFFERENT CLUBS

## Second Division Player The 'Dark Horse'

By "TOUCHER"

Perhaps for the first time in the history of the Colony Open Singles Lawn Bowls Championship, representatives from eight different clubs will be seen in action in the quarter-final stage of the event, which was reached yesterday with four more ties played off.

A feature of yesterday's games, which saw U. A. Rumjahn (IRC), T. E. Baker (KCC), R. Gourlay (KDC) and F. A. Santos (FC) join Raoul Luz (Recreio), C. C. Ma (CCC), B. Douglass (TC) and G. F. Leslie (KBGC) in the last eight, was the decisive win scored by each of the winners.

## Chicago White Sox Down Yankees 7-2 To Square Three Game Series

New York, July 24.

Billy Pierce, the Chicago White Sox hard-throwing left-hander, came through in the clutch today with a seven-hitter that enabled his teammates to beat the New York Yankees, 7-2, and square their current three-game series at one victory apiece.

The win, less than 24 hours after Mickey Mantle took the Sox apart almost single-handedly, cut the Yankees' American League lead to 4½ games and renewed Chicago's hopes of a close Pennant race.

The Boston Red Sox beat the Kansas City Athletics, 6-5, and the Chicago Cubs downed the New York Giants, 2-1, in the

## Tanny Campo Scores Points Decision Over Italian

Rome, July 24.

Philippines bantam-weight Tanny Campo tonight beat Gianni Zuddas of Italy on points in a ten-round contest here.

Campo won easily and his victory left no doubt as to which man was the better fighter. The Italian tried to force the fight at the start but Campo held his man easily and kept the fight at long range.

During the first seven rounds the Filipino steadily notched up a points lead with his more accurate punching and cleverer ringcraft.

In the eighth round Campo went to work on the Italian, raining blows on Zuddas and driving him helplessly around the ring. Only the Italian's courage kept him on his feet.

In the ninth round Zuddas was handicapped by an injury to his right hand. Campo slowed down the pace a little but, by the fresher man, he increased his lead and carried the fight to a comfortable win. — France-Presse.

## EVANS' AMBITION

Godfrey Evans, the Kent and England wicket-keeper, has one more big ambition to achieve. He wants to play in more Tests than any other player in cricket history. Wally Hammond leaves the way with a total of 85. Sir Len Hutton played for England 79 times, and Evans' aggregate at the moment is 76. Ten more for the record; injury apart, he should do it easily on present form, for he has no near rival.

## AMERICAN LEAGUE

Kansas City ... 631 002 000-3-10-2. Boston ... 600 000 030-6-10-2. Terry, Urban (4), Cox, Kul and Thompson, Brewer (12-8) and White, Chicago (3-5). Hause, 10-2. New York ... 310 010 020-7-12-2. Pierce (14-7), Mois, Ford, Kroll (3), Byrne (10), and Johnson (10). LP-Ford (3-2). Berra (16th).

## NATIONAL LEAGUE

New York ... 600 001 000-1-7-0. Chicago ... 600 010 000-2-7-2. Asturias, Grissom (10), Wentz, Johnson (10), and German, L. Antonelli (9-10). —United Press.

## NAMESAKES

INSTRUCTIONS: Fill in the spaces against each of the clues below with a word related to my life. The letters in circles spell out my name. Who am I?

1. Wish toys?  
2. Amuses  
3. Play  
4. For illuminating  
feet?  
5. Such a couch  
6. Iron one?  
7. Acting  
8. Fast train  
9. School imposition  
10. Playing a part  
11. Oration  
12. Colonial town  
13. Philanthropist  
14. Human sound  
15. Journey  
16. Spectators  
17. First and feminine  
18. Part

Solution on Page 9

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## Sports Diary

TODAY  
Lawn Bowls  
Ladies' Championships at HKFC  
and KCC at 3:30 p.m.

TOMORROW  
Bridge Tournament at  
Chinese Club, Hank of Canton, 6:30  
p.m.

Basketball  
Police Tournament: PHQ "B" v  
Marine, 4 p.m.; PTS v Shanghai, 5  
p.m.; N.T. v Yaumati, 6 p.m.

## PENNSYLVANIA TENNIS

### Mike Green Misses Victory By A Hairline

Philadelphia, July 24.

Neale Fraser of Australia had to fight off two match points before defeating Mike Green, 20-year-old Davis Cup player from Miami Beach, Florida, in the 58th annual Pennsylvania Tennis Championships today.

Most creditable win in yesterday's matches was that of southpaw F. A. Santos of the Filipino Club, who becomes the only Second Division bowler to reach the last eight with a 22-14 win over J. M. A. Ramon of Indian Recreation Club.

Having been playing in the game for a short period, he had only two or three years, Santos has already to his credit a good early round win over his giant-killing namesake from Cagayan, and is undoubtedly the dark horse of this year's Championships.

The next Championship

matches will be on Sunday

when all the eight third round

matches of the Open Rinks

event will be played off.

## YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

### Colony Open Singles, Fourth Round

#### KBGC

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T. E. Baker (KCC) beat G. Hong Choy (CCC), 21-12.

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#### AT KCC

R. Gourlay (KDC) beat P. Hughes (KBGC), 21-12.

F. A. Santos (FC) beat J. M. A. Ramjahn (IRC), 22-14.

#### Ladies' Open Pairs

Mrs J. Liddell and Mrs J. Rounseell (KBGC) beat Mrs E. Scott and Mrs M. Buchanan (KBGC), 25-22.

Mrs. McKittrick and Mrs. Riley (KDC) beat Mrs. Davidson and Mrs. Banks (KDC), 27-14.

#### Ladies' Open Singles

Miss Helen Kwong (CCC) beat Mrs Baker (KCC), 21-14.

## ONE MAN TEAM

Fred Jones, of Old Ascans CC, had a day out against Coolx in the Birmingham Parks League. First of all he scored 43 of his side's 60 runs and then took nine wickets for eleven runs! In the Birmingham League Solihull looked as though they were heading for victory when they had scored 20 for none in reply to Camp Hill Old Edwardians' 39. But, alas, Solihull were also 29 all

## BRITAIN WINS

Durban, July 24.

Britain beat France by 32 points to 13 after leading 15-5 at half time in their Rugby League match here today. —China Mail Special.

## Goodwood Stakes Acceptors With Weights

London, July 24.

Twenty-three first and final acceptors with weights for the Goodwood Stakes to be run over two miles three furlongs at Goodwood on Wednesday, July 31, are

Doubled Red, 9 stones four

pounds; Diamond Slipper and

French Decoy, both 8-13;

Teacher, 8-12; Saphos and

Dormido, 8-11; Combatant, 8-0;

Persian Flag, 8-7; Edward, the

Third, 7-12; Bonham, 7-10;

Tickle, Pink, Icarian and

Parsons, 7-4; Gudmen-

armist, 7-3; Adams Walk, 7;

Valencia, 6-3; Obverse, 6-3;

Zamose and British Commando

6-7.

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ONLY THE RICE TASTES  
LIKE THE RICE AT HOME

Writes David Wong  
From London  
(Oh, for Home Cooking!)

THE Chinese visitor to London quickly discovers two things — how much a good Chinese meal means to him and how difficult it is to find one. No matter how indifferent he used to be towards Chinese food in Hongkong or how accustomed he is to Western food, if he does not cook himself, he finds the drift towards a Chinese restaurant almost irresistible.

There seems to be no scientific theory to explain this. Perhaps it has something to do with psychology and a little bit to do with patriotism. Chinese meals probably remind him of his own Chineseness. Or perhaps it is a reflection on English cooking.

## Bold Front

But whatever the reason, the urge is there, so much so that his first meal in London is likely to be eaten in a Chinese restaurant — probably as the guest of some Chinese friend.

But he eats without relish. The chicken soup tastes like lukewarm water; the sweet and sour pork tastes neither sweet nor sour; the stewed beef tastes like army rations slightly burned. Only the rice tastes like the rice at home.

In the face of all this, he puts up a bold front, however. He may even smile at the host while choice invectives flash through his mind. How can he

stoop so low? How can he be such a cheap statesman? Taking one to a fifth-rate restaurant for a welcoming dinner!

But no matter how intolerable the food is, the chances are that he will be back at that same restaurant on the morrow, because that restaurant is, for the time being, the only source of food vaguely resembling that of his native diet.

So he hangs on to this one thread for dear life, like some modern Theseus, while he scrambles through the labyrinth of London in search of new pastures. For one good Chinese meal he is prepared to do battle with a Minotaur.

At last he finds a Chinese restaurant. He dashes in salivating like Pavlov's dog. "Visions of birds' nest soup, Peking duck, almond chicken, and roast suckling pig" dance before his eyes. He settles himself comfortably in his chair and casually examines the menu.

Many Splendoured

What! "Chop Suey in a New York," "Alice in Wonderland," "A Many-Splendoured Thing"? Surely there must be some mistake. He raises his brain for one good Chinese meal he is prepared to do battle with a Minotaur.

He examines the menu again. Somewhere buried among the strange names he finds one with a familiar ring. He orders it and waits with bated breath.

His apprehensions mount by the minute.

Acrons seem to elapse before the food arrives. He tastes it and his fears are confirmed. It tastes no better than the last restaurant, perhaps decidedly worse. He looks at the other Chinese customers. They are drowning their food in soy sauce. He does likewise, gobbling it down, and leaves.

## Food Parcels

The experiment is repeated several times, but the result remains the same. And with each passing day, his desperation grows. He throws caution to the winds. He tries anything, anywhere, at any price. He rushes to places where angels fear to tread. He almost has to apply for Point Four aid in order to get out — and the food tastes no better anyway.

After two weeks of such gallant endeavours yesterday has melted away. His savage rebellion has given place to Oriental fatalism. He has become conditioned to the diet. He may have even reached the point where he will invite British friends out for a "Chinese" meal.

But the food parcels will not arrive for at least a month or two. Meanwhile there is nothing to do but go back to the old routine. Meals are an agony.

Such plebeian fare as home like ch' shao and noodles appears tantalisingly good in retrospect.

But one thing good about Chinese restaurants in London is that he will not have to suffer alone. His fellow expatriates abound in every one of them and very quickly a spirit of affinity, of sympathetic understanding develops between them.

They begin to nod and smile to one another. They begin to engage in polite conversation. Acquaintance may develop into friendship. But any direct comment on the nature and quality of Chinese food in London is looked upon as shockingly bad taste. It is only possible to hint around the subject with statements like: "Of course, this is not Hongkong," or "I suppose they have to cater to foreigners well," or "It is still better than nothing."

## Ecstasies

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But as his British friends go into ecstasies over some completely un-Chinese abomination, he begins to wonder if they are just being polite, as he had been, or whether they really like the stuff.

If the former, he hopes they understand. If the latter, oh well, he forgives them. After all, they ARE foreigners!

Last Night's Harmonica Recital  
FAREWELL TO LAU MOK

THE harmonica is gradually being accepted as a solo instrument in its own right and several classical compositions have been written specially for it. The recital last night by Lau Mok at the Queen Elizabeth School certainly showed some of the potentialities of this instrument.

Mr Lau chose a most ambitious programme consisting mainly of music either written or arranged for the violin. It seems reasonable, therefore, to compare for a moment these two instruments.

The harmonica is capable of producing a fairly wide range of different sounds according to the position of the player's hands. The difference between the cupped and uncupped hands can be compared to the difference between a muted and an unmuted violin.

## Most Creditable

However, I did find the vibrato effect on sustained notes rather trying and somewhat similar to that of a warbling soprano. To produce this the degree of cupping of the hands around the instrument is varied. I should like to ask Mr Lau if it is not possible to produce a much less pronounced and slower vibrato more in keeping with this type of music. Otherwise I, personally, would prefer to hear no vibrato.

The volume range of a harmonica is also more restricted as any tendency to overblow (or overwick) tends to distort the tone and the pitch of the note produced.

Bearing in mind these limitations, Mr Lau gave a most creditable performance. He has a

great love and understanding of music and certainly his interpretations were most pleasing even to a critical musical ear.

The second half of the programme consisted of music by Veracini. Mr Lau played this with a restraint and control of his instrument.

## The Rest

The whole programme was well-balanced and arranged throughout. The accompaniment was played by Professor Harry Orr with his usual great competence and restraint.

One of the most valuable results of a concert of this kind is that many people, especially youngsters, who would not bother to go, say, to a violin recital come to hear a harmonica and hear a very good performance of good music.

With last night's recital we say good-bye to Lau Mok for the time being. He has won a scholarship to study music in the USA and will shortly be leaving us to take this up; our very best wishes go with him.

R. A. BONES.

TODAY'S COMPETITION  
PICTURE

Here is today's published competition entry. This unusual shot of the BOAC Bristol Britannia during her recent inaugural flight to the Colony was submitted to the China Mail photo competition by Mr J. G. Allen of Kowloon. The caption is Britannia's Hongkong stop. Another photograph will be published in tomorrow's China Mail. You have nine days left to send in your entries.

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## HONGKONG EXHIBITION DELAYED

### Entry Visas For Singapore Not Yet Received

Singapore, July 24. The opening of the Hongkong Products Exhibition in Singapore has been delayed because the majority of the Hongkong delegates had not yet received entry visas, Mr C. W. Chuang, working secretary of the Hongkong Chinese Manufacturers Union, said today.

### Students Allegedly Took Car

Two 18-year-old students were brought before Miss B. K. Stale at Central this morning, on various traffic offences. They were remanded one day for further inquiries. No plea was taken.

The first defendant, Wong Yiu-kwong, is alleged to have taken a private car without the owner's consent.

The second defendant, Lung Kit-keung, is alleged to have driven the car without a licence, without third party insurance, and without the owner's consent.

Both defendants were arrested by the police sometime early this morning in Island Head, Repulse Bay.

### H.E. Confers With Lennox-Boyd

London, July 24. Sir Alexander Grantham conferred this afternoon with Mr Alan Lennox-Boyd, the Colonial Secretary. They are expected to meet again tomorrow morning.

An official said the talks were expected to be over "soon."

Sir Alexander dined with Mr Lennox-Boyd last night, and talked with Mr E. Molyneux, Assistant Under-Secretary of State in charge of the Far East Department of the Colonial Office this morning.

### SCHOLARSHIPS OFFERED

The Philippine Consulate issued a reminder today that qualified Hongkong and other Southeast Asian students may apply for one-year scholarships in the field of the humanities and social sciences in Philippine universities.

### SIDE GLANCES By Galbraith



"Well, one way to look at it—if we're losing a daughter, we're gaining an booboo!"

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### Death Of Freddie Rees

The death is reported in The Times of George Frederick Rees, late of Hongkong, on July 3 at Clermont Ferrand, Auvergne, France, at the age of 64.

Mr Rees, B.Sc. (Hons.) and Diploma in Education (Wales), joined the Education Department in December, 1929 and up to the outbreak of the Pacific War was Mathematics master at Central British School, Queen's College and King's College.

He served as a Captain in active service with the HKVDC and was Interned in Hongkong.

After the war he was transferred to administrative work in the Education Office and was promoted to the grade of Principal in 1948. Mr Rees went on leave in 1950 and was invalided from the Service in the following year.

"Freddie" Rees will be remembered by his many friends for his friendly and charming personality. He was both popular and competent in his work, and had many outside interests.

He was a keen volunteer and, although his health was undermined by his experiences as a POW, and the frustration of having to give up an active life since his retirement, he still maintained his cheerful character.

He was a prominent Freemason and one-time Worshipful Master of University Lodge. His wife, Marion, died in 1956. He leaves one son, Peter, who is now at Hallebury.

### Nine Months' Gaol For Triad Man

Pleading guilty to possessing arms and being a member of an unlawful society, Cheung Wing, 20, of 122 C Block, Tai Wan Resettlement Area, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour together with two years' police supervision by Mr T. Credon at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday.

At 3.30 p.m. on July 7, at the above address defendant was engaged in a domestic dispute with his godmother and as a result defendant produced a "fighting iron" and threatened his godmother. Later defendant left the premises and his godmother made a report to the police.

Defendant was arrested on July 21. On being questioned defendant admitted to being a member of the Luen Hing Triad Society.

### The Governor's Broadcast

His Excellency the Governor, Sir Alexander Grantham, is broadcasting over the BBC from London tonight. Sir Alexander will be the guest speaker in the BBC's regular International Press Conference in the London Calling Asia programme.

His interviewers will be Alexander Kendrick of the Columbia Broadcasting System, Richard Harris of the London Times and Andrew Shonsfeld of the Financial Times.

The interview will be relayed to local listeners by Radio Hongkong and through the Rediffusion network at 10.35 p.m.



### CHILD FOUND WITH HEROIN

On the evening of July 23, a policeman duty in Queen's Street near Cross Street noticed a little girl holding something in her hand.

He stopped and searched her. She had in her hand 12 small packets, the contents of which were later found to be 0.5 grams of heroin.

#### FATHER CAME

He took the girl back to Eastern Police Station and sometime later her father, Tsui Kwan, came to the Station in search of her.

At Central this morning, Tsui was fined \$500 or three weeks by Miss B. K. Scarfe when he pleaded guilty to neglecting to exercise control over his child.

The child will be brought up before the Juvenile Court tomorrow for correct supervision. She is seven years old.

#### Suspects Detained

Three suspects have been detained by the Police in the last 24 hours in connection with alleged cases of theft. One complainant was a Chinese woman who lost a watch and in another case a man reported his pocket cut and cash stolen at the Lai Chi Kok Amusement Park.

## FIVE APPEALS DISMISSED

Mr Justice A. D. Scholes in the Appeal Court this morning dismissed five appeals from the Magistracies.

Two of them, against conviction, were brought by Law Yau-sen and Siu Chi-ki.

Law, who was fined a total of \$1,000 or nine months by Miss B. K. Scarfe at Central for possession of dangerous drugs and breach of a bond, claimed that the Police "framed" him.

He denied that he was an addict and claimed that the Police took him to an address and made him wait until they came down with a tin of something. They then made him sign a paper.

#### HEROIN

The Judge said that the evidence given and believed by the Magistrate was that a cigarette tin containing 21 packets of heroin was found in Law's trouser pocket by the Police.

Law was led out of Court after his unsuccessful appeal abusing the police who had been witnesses at his trial.

Sentenced to nine months by Mr T. Credon at Kowloon for stealing a wrist watch from a sleeping woman, Siu alleged that the woman and the other witnesses conspired to give false evidence against him because he had quarrelled with her.

In dismissing the appeal, Mr Justice Scholes said the appellant was caught red-handed.

#### DRUGS

"Law and order had to be kept," said the Judge as he refused to reduce a sentence of eight months passed by Mr T. L. Yang at Kowloon on Chiu Man for snatching a wrist watch.

Chiu pleaded "force of circumstances," but the Judge said it was his third offence of that kind.

Mr Justice Scholes also refused to reduce the sentence of six months and four strokes for Wu Pak-yuen, but allowed the sentence to date from his conviction on June 6.

Wu was sentenced by Mr T. L. Yang at Kowloon for snatching money from an eight-year-old girl.

Mr Stewart Collier, Crown Counsel, told the Judge that the complainant aggravated the offence.

He also said that the appellant had two previous convictions in connection with drug offences.

#### DIFFICULT

Sentenced to a total of eight months for failing to report to the Police and failing to report change of address while under their supervision, Ko Ying asked the Appeal Judge to send him to prison or put him on a bond rather than let him remain under Police supervision.

"It is very difficult for me to report to the police every day," he said.

Mr Justice Scholes noted that Ko had not reported to the Police at all since January 27 and this was the fourth time he had been before a Court for failing to report.

Ko said that the last time he hurt himself, working in the Kowloon godowns and, because he was in bed and could not move, he could not go to the Police.

The Judge noted that although he could not move, Ko had changed his address several times during that period.

"When I failed to report the first time, I became frightened

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Threats From Our Obedient Servants

Sir—I should like to draw attention through your valuable columns to a growing mixup in Government minds and practice. While the most senior officials continue to sign themselves obsequiously "Your obedient servant" other Government letters are becoming almost offensively rude.

Form 4 of the Compulsory Service Ordinance, which is the one that calls you up for medical examination before joining one of the Defence Services, concludes:

"Failure to comply with the requirements of this notice constitutes an offence, and renders the offender liable to a fine of five thousand dollars and to imprisonment for two years."

It seems to me that this is unnecessarily strong language, even for this breed of "obedient servants" up whose regulations, lists and ledgers our lives increasingly depend.

And in a place like Hongkong where we were not all brought up speaking English as our mother tongue, or with the Englishman's injured disregard of official language, it is even more important to have these forms a little more mannerly.

Can you imagine the consternation at a Chinese breakfast table when the Lord and Master, who has recently applied to join the Hongkong Volunteers, is threatened with "five thousand dollars AND imprisonment for two years?"

WJS

## Gun Club School Speech Day

The Gun Club Hill School held its annual speech day this morning, and 60 children received prizes from Mrs A. J. M. Smyth, wife of the Station Commander, Kai Tak.

Mrs Smyth was given three rousing cheers by the children, and presented with a bouquet of roses by Linda Fairhall.

The headmaster, Mr A. J. Bryan, said in his annual report that the constant changes in a Service school were unsettling, but they were also a challenge to its staff and administrators.

The speech day concluded with a short concert of songs and verses.

### CHILDREN'S GOLF TOURNEY OPENS

by a China Mail Reporter

Hongkong's junior golfers—16 of them—today took part in a competition that will continue until the end of the school summer holidays. By

then about 80 boys and girls from 10 to 17 are expected to take part.

Down at Deep Water Bay Golf Club this morning pintsize players using, in many cases, cut down clubs swung like veterans.

Eight-year-old Richard Collings using a cut down and a bigger (something like a cut down

four iron) breezed around in

Many of the competitors—

Hongkong residents' sons and daughters at school in England—have not yet arrived in the Colony. They are expected to arrive by plane in the next few days.

Prizes are being awarded in each division.

The competition is being held in three divisions—14 to 17-year-olds who will play 18 holes; ten to 12-year-olds who will play 14 holes and seven to nine-year-olds who will play nine holes.

The above pictures, taken by our staff photographer this morning, show Hongkong's young golfers on the fairways.

LADY GRANTHAM'S NIECE ARRIVES

Lady Grantham's niece, Mrs Fanny MacBride, arrived from San Francisco by P.A.A. this morning to spend a few weeks as guest at Government House.

She was accompanied by her two daughters, Alice Maurine, 14, and Suzanne, 12.

They were met at the airport by Mr R. White, ADC to His Excellency the Governor.

FATHER CAME

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